

**RESOLUTION 08-2008
ESTABLISHING BURNING SEASON**

WHEREAS, Section 7-33-2205, MCA, provides that the county governing body may, at its discretion, establish fire seasons annually, during which time no person may ignite or set any forest fire, slash-burning fire, land-clearing fire, debris burning fire, or open fire within the County protection areas on any forest, range or cropland without having obtained an official written permit to ignite or set such fire from the recognized protection agency for that protection area; and

WHEREAS, Section 7-33-2206, MCA, provides that any person who ignites or sets any forest fire, slash-burning fire, land-clearing fire, debris burning fire, or open fire within the County protection areas on any forest, range or croplands without having obtained an official written permit to ignite or set such fire is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or be imprisoned in the county jail for any term not to exceed six (6) months, or both.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners establish the 2008-2009 fire season for Jefferson County from the date of this resolution to February 28, 2009. During the period from March 1, 2008 through November 30, 2008, a person must obtain a permit from Jefferson County before igniting any fire referred to above. Any burning during the period from December 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009, an additional permit must be obtained from the State of Montana Department of Environmental Quality authorizing burning during that period. This additional documentation must be presented to the recognized issuing agency for Jefferson County before a permit may be issued. Burning Permits can be written for a one (1) year period, but the permittee must call the appropriate dispatch center each time before burning. Permits are available at the following locations:

Marks-Miller Post and Pole
15 Lump Gulch Rd.
Clancy, MT 59634

Montana City Store
1 Jackson creek Rd.
Montana City, MT 59634

Jefferson County Sheriff's Office
110 S Washington
Boulder, MT 59632

Whitehall Town Hall
PO Box 539
Whitehall, MT 59759

DATED this 26th day of February, 2008.

ATTEST:

**BONNIE RAMEY
CLERK AND RECORDER**

KEN WEBER, CHAIR

TOMAS E. LYTHGOE, COMMISSIONER

CHUCK NOTBOHM, COMMISSIONER